Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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REPORT INFORMATION:

1943 Stearns, Richard E.

Some Indian Village Sites of Tidewater Maryland. The Natural History Society of Maryland,

Proceeding #9:12-17.

Submitted to The Natural History Society of Maryland

Library ID No: 00006841 Catalog/Shelving ID: MD 42

Sites examined:

18CE14

Research Firm/Institutution:

Curator, Dept. of Archeology, Natural History Society of Maryland 2103 Bolton Street Baltimore, MD

Project Details:

Phase I

Phase III



Project Justification:

This proceeding is a synthesis of 25 years of archeological research in Tidewater, Maryland. Many of the artifacts in the individual site collections were recovered from the ground surface, in cultivated fields and on riverbanks subject to erosion by the waters of the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries. Various sites were subjected to subsurface testing. The author began collecting from the site ca. 1935.

Project Objectives:

 -Produce a systematic study of prehistoric sites with the idea of throwing light on the lifeways of early Native Americans in Maryland

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18CE14.

REPORT INFORMATION:

1988 Bennett, Carroll R.

The Evergreen Collection.

Submitted to Maryland Geological Survey

Library ID No: 00006934 Catalog/Shelving ID: MD 115

Research Firm/Institutution:

Maryland Geological Survey 2300 St. Paul Street Baltimore, MD 21218

Sites examined:

18CE14

Project Details:

Project Justification:

The Evergreen Collection is primarily a collection of prehistoric North American artifacts owned by Johns Hopkins University. The collection was turned over to the Maryland State archeologist for an indeterminate amount of time to studied and cataloged. In late 1980, the work was started, and the process was completed in 1988.

Project Objectives:

-Study and catalogue the collection of artifacts

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18CE14.

REPORT INFORMATION:

1982 McNamara, Joseph M.

Summary of the 1981 Excavations at the Conowingo Site, 18CE14. Submitted to Maryland Geological Survey, Division of Archeology

Library ID No: 00005717 Catalog/Shelving ID: CE 10

Research Firm/Institutution:

Maryland Geological Survey, Division of Archeology 2300 St. Paul Street Baltimore, MD 21218

Sites examined:

Project Details:

Phase I

Project Justification:

Phase III

This report summarizes the results of the field season at Conowingo in 1981. Archeologists from the Division of Archeology, Maryland Geological Survey and volunteers from the Archeological Society of Maryland conducted field investigations at site 18CE14 during the 11th Annual Field Session in Maryland Archeology.

Previous work at the site was also summarized in this report. The MAC #s for those surveys are provided here.

MAC Accession: 1970.026, 1974.028

Proiect Objectives:

-Collect data on depth, stratigraphy, and cultural periods from the southern end of the Conowingo site before natural and cultural stresses destroyed the remaining vestiges of the site in this area

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18CE14.

REPORT INFORMATION:

1985 McNamara, Joseph M.

Conowingo: A Late Archaic through Woodland Manifestation in the Lower Susquehanna River Valley. Maryland Archeology 21(2):1-35.

Submitted to Maryland Geological Survey, Division of Archeology

Library ID No: 00005731 Catalog/Shelving ID: CE 24

Sites examined:

18CE14

Research Firm/Institutution:

Maryland Geological Survey, Division of Archeology

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Project Details:

Phase I

Phase II

Phase III

Project Justification:

In two seasons during 1981 and 1982, archeologists from the Division of Archeology, Maryland Geological Survey and volunteers from the Archeological Society of Maryland conducted field investigations at site 18CE14 during the 11th Annual Field Session in Maryland Archeology. This is the final report summarizing both seasons.

MAC Accession: 1982.019

Project Objectives:

-Collect data on depth, stratigraphy, and cultural periods from the southern end of the Conowingo site before natural and cultural stresses destroyed the remaining vestiges of the site in this area

Research Potential:

Conowingo (18CE14) is a multicomponent site with occupation dating from the Late Archaic through the Late Woodland periods. A settlement model for the Conowingo site was suggested to be the seasonal (spring through summer) aggregation of micro-social units into a macro-social unit base camp. The presence of non-local items at the site suggested a series of exploitive procurement camps operating from the seasonal macro-social unit base camp. It was hypothesized that these micro-social units would move laterally both up and down the Susquehanna River and into the interior river drainages of the Octoraro Creek and other tributary streams and drainages. For decades, the Conowingo Site has been a favorite spot for local relic hunters, has been damaged by construction activities, and undergoes constant erosion from natural processes. Some controlled archeological investigations have been conducted at the site which provided substantial data regarding the site's chronological development and functionality. Unfortunately, it is likely that a great deal of the site excavated in the 1980's has been further eroded. Very little if any of the site remains intact and further archeological investigations would not be likely to yield additional information. Artifact collections from the site can be found at the Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum, the Natural History Society of Maryland, the Maryland Historical Society, and the Harford County Chapter of ASM.